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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ARIZONA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, AN ARIZONA CORPORATION, FOR A DETERMINATION OF THE CURRENT FAIR VALUE OF ITS UTILITY PLANT AND PROPERTY AND FOR INCREASES IN ITS RATES AND CHARGES BASED THEREON FOR UTILITY SERVICE BY ITS AGUA FRIA WATER DISTRICT, HAVASU WATER DISTRICT, MOHAVE WATER DISTRICT, PARADISE VALLEY DISTRICT, SUN CITY WEST WATER DISTRICT AND TUBAC WATER DISTRICT.

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DECISION NO. 71410

NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE FILING

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Decision No. 71410 issued and effective December 8, 2009 orders EPCOR Water Arizona, Inc. ("Company") to file an earnings test for the Agua Fria Water District. Although not specifically identified earlier as such, the Company's first response to this compliance item was provided on November 3, 2010 in the Company's application in Docket No. W-1303A-10-0448. Please see the attached Schedule F-1 (original application) for the ROE for the Agua Fria Water District for the Test Year Actual Results Ended June 30, 2010. Both the test year actual and adjusted results were below Decision 71410's authorized ROE of 9.9%. The Company, therefore, passed this earnings test. Please note the test year actual results include the authorized deferrals; whereas, the adjusted test year results adjust for many factors.

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## RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED on June 29, 2012.

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## **Arizona American Water Company - Agua Fria Water** Test Year Ended June 30, 2010

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Projected Income Statements - Present & Proposed Rates

Exhibit Schedule F-1 Page 1 Witness: Kiger

				At Present	At Proposed
				Rates	Rates
			Test Year	Year	Year
Line			Actual	Ended	Ended
No.			Results	6/30/2011	6/30/2011
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2	Operating Revenues	\$	22,844,055	\$ 23,865,609	\$ 41,784,149
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4	Operation & Maintenance Expense	\$	12,621,977	\$ 14,627,691	\$ 14,755,726
5	Depreciation & Amortization		3,759,462	10,199,583	10,199,583
6	Other Taxes		885,041	1,097,717	1,319,635
7	Income Taxes		554,890	(2,059,184)	4,722,094
8	Total Expense	\$		\$ 23,865,807	\$ 30,997,038
9	Operating Income	\$			\$ 10,787,111
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11	Other Income Net		1,477,109	-	-
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13	Long-Term Interest		2,515,639	4,140,189	4,140,189
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15	AFUDC		(864,743)	(864,743)	(864,743)
16	Net Income	\$		\$ (3,275,644)	\$ 7,511,665
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19	Earnings Per Share		116.27	(72.12)	165.39
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21	Return on Common Equity		7.23%	-5.99%	11.49%
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quarterly in sufficient detail to facilitate a subsequent audit and reasonableness review in its next Agua Fria District rate filing proceeding, and shall include with that rate filing a report detailing the deferred expenses and associated savings for review in that proceeding.

- (4) Arizona-American Water Company shall file annually, during the period prior to the date of issuance of a rate order that considers the authorized deferred expenses as recoverable operating expenses, an earnings test for the Agua Fria Water district, so that in the event the Company would earn more than its authorized return on rate base as a result of the deferral, the amount of the deferral can be reduced to bring earnings down to the authorized return.
- (5) In accordance with this Ordering Paragraph, Arizona-American Water Company shall be authorized to:
- a. defer the sum of its White Tank Plant's Operations and Maintenance expenses less the realized cost savings resulting from production shifts as a regulatory asset in Account 186, Miscellaneous Deferred Debits;
- b. accrue interest on the outstanding deferred Operations and Maintenance expense balance at its prevailing short-term interest rate;
- c. beginning on the date of issuance of a rate order that considers the authorized deferred expenses as recoverable operating expenses, amortize the allowed amount of the regulatory asset over a reasonable time period to be determined in that rate order, and include such amortization as a recoverable expense.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the proposed specific accounting entries, as described in Findings of Fact No. 121 above, are hereby approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the necessity of continuing the accounting procedures approved in the prior Ordering Paragraph shall be addressed in the Company's next rate filing for its Agua Fria Water district.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Arizona-American Water Company shall, for its Mohave Water district and Havasu Water district, reduce its water loss to below 10 percent by June 30, 2010 or before it files its next rate increase application and/or CC&N application and/or financing application, whichever comes first, and shall begin water loss monitoring and take action to ensure